

# St. John's Orthodox Christian School

<u>Upcoming Events</u>	
April 20	Mat-Su Central Testing
April 22	<mark>No School</mark> – Holy Friday
April 24	PASCHA
April 25	<mark>No School</mark> – Bright Monday
April 27	May's Hot Lunch Form due
May 2 – 6	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 9-13	Middle School Intensives
May 9	Field Trip to the Zoo: K-3 <sup>rd</sup>
May 10	Preschool Field Trip to the Reindeer Farm
May 17	End of the Year Program/Graduation: 7pm
May 18	Loretta French – School Picnic
May 19	Last Day of School

Hello St. John's Families,

Please take a moment to read this April edition of our Eagle Newsletter. It is packed with lots of information and upcoming important dates. If you have any questions or if I missed including something just let me know.

Mrs. Streff

#### **Other News and Upcoming Events**

### Middle School Bake Sale:

The St. John's middle school is excited to announce that every Tuesday and Thursday running through the first week of May we will be hosting a coffee and pastry drive through to fundraise for our intensive trip to Juneau! Visit us on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons between 3:00-3:30 to pick up your choice of two pastry items and a cup of coffee available for \$5. Please drive through the Dunaway's driveway on your way out from pick-up and support the middle schoolers as well!

## Job Opportunities at Saint John's School

Saint John's School is a vibrant ministry of our Cathedral. Since it has grown over the last couple of years, there is a need for additional teachers and staff. We believe it is possible that our some of our parishioners as well as the families of our current students might be able to fill some of the needs we have.

- We do need excellent teachers, but a teaching degree or a license is not required.
- We do like to make teaching teams of two teachers who share a class, since this allows for part-time work and can provide cover in case of planned absences.
- We are able to mentor new teachers and help them learn and improve.

If teaching at Saint John's School interests you, or if you are interested in working in a nonteaching role, please consider submitting an application. Our School is once again advertising a Fellowship/Internship Program for the coming year. You can go to the description of this program here to learn more about our School, and you can submit an application using this process. Just click the "Apply" button at the bottom of the page. The deadline for applications is May 7. Also, if you know of someone in your own circle of family and friends who might be interested in applying for the Fellowship/Internship Program, please share this information with them. Saint John's School will continue to develop in the near future, and we need people who want to help shape this future. Maybe this is you or someone you know. For questions or more information, call or email the School.

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**Spring is here... I think:** Students may wear shorts to school now, but please no flip flops.

**Enrollment Paperwork and Fees:** Please finish up those enrollment packets and take advantage of the "early bird" discount by paying your Registration and Materials Fees by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Summer Program:** We still have some openings in our 2022 Summer Program. If you have questions or need the necessary forms to sign up just let the Office know and we will get them to you.

<u>May's Hot Lunch Form</u>: May's Hot Lunch Form is being sent home with this edition of the Eagle Newsletter. Please return it to school by April 27<sup>th</sup>. Please notice on this month's lunch form: there is no charge for lunch on 05/18. The school will provide lunch to all students for our trip to Loretta French Park.

**Mat-Su Central Testing:** On April 20<sup>th</sup>, Tisha from Mat-Su Central will visit St. John's School and test those students in K-3<sup>rd</sup> who are co-enrolled at both schools.

**PASCHA Holiday:** No School on Friday, 4/22 and Monday 4/25 in observance of Holy Friday and Bright Monday.

**Teacher Appreciation Week:** Teacher Appreciation Week is May 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>. We would like to recognize our teachers during this week. If you would like to help with this please call the school and we can discuss ideas... it's a great way to get some of your volunteer hours taken care of. ©

**Field Trip to the Zoo:** On May 9<sup>th</sup>, Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will take a trip to the Alaska Zoo. Look for more information and permission slips to come home soon.

<u>Field Trip to the Reindeer Farm</u>: On May 10<sup>th</sup>, Mrs. Reynolds and Ms. Sorensen's Preschool Class will take a field trip to the Reindeer Farm in Palmer. Permission slips will be sent home soon.

<u>Middle School Intensive Trip to Juneau</u>: On May 9<sup>th</sup> our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders will depart for their trip to Juneau. They will return on the 13<sup>th</sup>. They have many great activities planned. During the End of the Year Program, they will treat us to a slideshow of what they got to see and do. What a great way to end the year!

<u>End of the Year Program and 8<sup>th</sup> Gr. Graduation:</u> We will have an End of the Year Program and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation on May 17<sup>th</sup>. We will meet in the Church basement for our first program since December of 2019! It will be so wonderful to all be together again. See you there!

**Loretta French Picnic:** On Wed., May 18<sup>th</sup> we will have our annual bike ride and field trip to Loretta French Park where we will eat pizza and play games. Kids in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and up may ride their bikes to Loretta French if they'd like. Look for more information about this field trip in the next few weeks. This field trip is for students in K-8<sup>th</sup> grade.

Last Day of School: On Thurs., May 19<sup>th</sup> students may participate in the annual afternoon Squirt Gun Fight or they may leave at 2:00 p.m. There will be special activities planned for the Preschoolers over in the Dunaway's backyard.

After Care: The last day of After Care will be on Wed., May 18th.

### **Our Precious Preschoolers**







The 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade students had the great opportunity to travel to the Seward SeaLife Center for an educational field trip. They spent the night in the SeaLife and learned about Alaskan marine life.

Our 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders had the opportunity to visit the Challenger Space Center in Kenai. In this picture they are in the simulated Control Center of the Center. They had a great time and learned a lot!!

